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## COMMITTEE REPORT

YES:	11
NO:	0

### MR. SPEAKER:

*Your Committee on Public Policy, Ethics and Veterans Affairs, to which was referred Senate Bill 100, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill **be amended** as follows:*

1       Page 1, between the enacting clause and line 1, begin a new  
2       paragraph and insert:  
3       "SECTION 1. IC 10-5-3-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.16-1999,  
4       SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
5       JULY 1, 2002]: Sec. 1. (a) Whenever any person, male or female, who  
6       has heretofore served, or who may hereafter serve, as a member of the  
7       armed forces of the United States as a soldier, sailor, or marine in the  
8       army, air force, or navy of the United States, or as a member of the  
9       women's components thereof, resident of any county of this state, and  
10      who, while a member of the armed forces and before discharge  
11      therefrom, or, who after receiving an honorable discharge therefrom,  
12      or the wife or widow, the husband or widower of any such member of  
13      the armed forces of the United States, resident of any county of this  
14      state, has died or shall hereafter die, upon a claim **for burial expenses**  
15      being filed by an interested person with the board of commissioners of  
16      the county of the residence of such deceased person, stating the fact of

such service, death, and discharge, if discharged from such service prior to death, and that the body has been buried in a decent and respectable manner, in a cemetery or burial ground, such board of commissioners shall hear and determine such claim, like other claims, filed for allowance by them, and if the facts averred are found to be true, as a tribute of respect due such member of the armed forces, shall make allowance of such claim in a sum ~~not exceeding one hundred dollars (\$100) for service rendered and material furnished in care of such body and where necessary an amount not to exceed twenty-five dollars (\$25) for a place of burial of such body:~~ **set by ordinance. The amount of the allowance must be at least one hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125) but not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000).**

(b) Only one (1) claim **for burial expenses** shall be allowed for any decedent, who qualifies under this chapter, and the total sum of the claim filed and for which allowances shall be made ~~whether it be for service rendered and material furnished or service rendered; material furnished; and place for burial furnished shall not exceed one hundred dollars (\$100).~~ **However, should the federal government provide a marker for the grave of any such person; the board of commissioners shall make a further allowance of not more than one hundred dollars (\$100) for the setting of such marker: shall be set by ordinance. The amount of the allowance must be at least one hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125) but not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000).** Any sum of money expended by any county under the provisions of this chapter shall be considered as a gift, and no persons for and on behalf of the state of Indiana or any of its political subdivisions shall be authorized to file a claim for a lump sum death benefit, with the federal social security administration claiming reimbursement for any sum of money so expended.

(c) Before a person who will set a grave marker provided by the federal government as described in subsection (b) enters into a contract to set the grave marker with a person who receives the grave marker from the federal government, or the person's representative, the person who will set the grave marker must disclose the following information to the person who receives the grave marker, or the person's representative:

(1) The price of the least expensive installation procedure that the person who will set the grave marker will charge for setting the

1 grave marker and a description of the goods and services included  
2 in the procedure.

3 (2) The prices of any other installation procedures or options that  
4 may be performed or provided by the person who will set the  
5 grave marker and a description of the goods and services included  
6 in the procedures or options."

7 Page 3, between lines 12 and 13, begin a new paragraph and insert:

8 "SECTION 3. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2002] **IC 10-5-3-1, as**  
9 **amended by this act, applies to claims for burial expenses filed**  
10 **after June 30, 2002.**"

11 Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

(Reference is to SB 100 as printed January 25, 2002.)

**and when so amended that said bill do pass.**

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Representative Kuzman